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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, submitted herewith are copies of two (2) references cited in the enclosed Official Communication issued in a corresponding German Patent Application. For the Examiner's convenience, we have enclosed an English translation of the Official Communication from the corresponding German Patent Application and a completed Form PTO-1449. Applicants have had this translation prepared by a professional translation service and applicants presently have no reason to doubt that the translation is accurate. However, Applicants have not independently verified the accuracy of such translation, and accordingly, submission of the same should not be taken as a binding admission by Applicants that the translation is accurate.

Applicants cite Reference No. 1 because it is the U.S. equivalent of Reference No. 2.

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The relevance of Reference No. 3 can be found in the English translation of the Official Communication.

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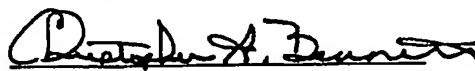
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Applicants respectfully request that the cited references be made of record in the subject application.

Respectfully submitted,



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